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MILWAUKEE COUNTY OFFICIALS READY TO ASSIST CITY OF CUDAHY AND RESIDENTS

County Board statement on fire at Patrick Cudahy facility

Milwaukee, WI – Milwaukee County Board Chairman Lee Holloway and Supervisor Patricia Jursik, who represents Cudahy on the County Board, are reacting to the fire at the Patrick Cudahy facility and detailing Milwaukee County's efforts to assist the City of Cudahy.

"Our hearts and prayers go out to the workers and families affected by this large fire. The firefighters and law enforcement personnel in Cudahy have been doing an outstanding job in their efforts to keep this situation from becoming much worse," Board Chairman Lee Holloway said. "We at the County Board stand ready to assist the City of Cudahy in any way possible. We are also asking residents to cooperate with the evacuation order and the state of emergency."

"Residents have been extremely cooperative and patient as our emergency responders tend to the fire. The Milwaukee County Transit System has also been helpful in transporting residents to South Milwaukee High School, which is serving as a temporary shelter for evacuees," said Supervisor Jursik, who has been at the school assisting affected residents since early this morning. "In particular, we have been working with the Department on Aging, the Salvation Army, and the Red Cross to provide extra assistance to the elderly and those with special needs. We have seen an outpouring of help from the community, and for that we are grateful."

Milwaukee County is providing support to the City of Cudahy in a number of ways. County Sheriff's Deputies and Milwaukee County Emergency Management are working with the Cudahy Police Department to evacuate residents from their homes, maintain order in affected neighborhoods and coordinate emergency plans. Milwaukee County's Emergency Medical Services infrastructure is assisting the City of Cudahy in responding to the fire and tending to individuals exposed to smoke or other harmful substances.

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